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2. Applicant-Initiated Interview Request Form (1 page);
3. After-Final Response (26 pages).

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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/157,018 First Named Applicant: LAMB et al.

Examiner: S. D. LUU

Art Unit: 2174

Status of Application: Pending

Tentative Participants:

(1) Examiner S. LUU

(2) Craig Fischer

(3) _____

(4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 03/17/04

Proposed Time: 1 PM (EST)

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic

(2) ☐ Personal

(3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES

☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>103(a) Rejection</u>	<u>Claims 1-12 & 19-30 & 32</u>	<u>Maggioncalda ('217) Geller ('554) & Contois ('868)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) <u>103(a) Rejection</u>	<u>Claims 13 & 18</u>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented: (Please see attached After-Final Response)

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

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